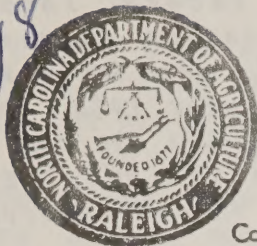


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N. C. PRICES RECEIVED INDEX UP 6 POINTS

Higher prices received by farmers for tobacco, apples, wholesale milk, eggs, and some of the grain crops caused the 'All Farm Products' index of prices received by farmers at local markets to increase 6 points during the month ended October 15, 1955. The October index of 295 compares with an index of 297 a year earlier and an index of 305 on October 15, 1953.

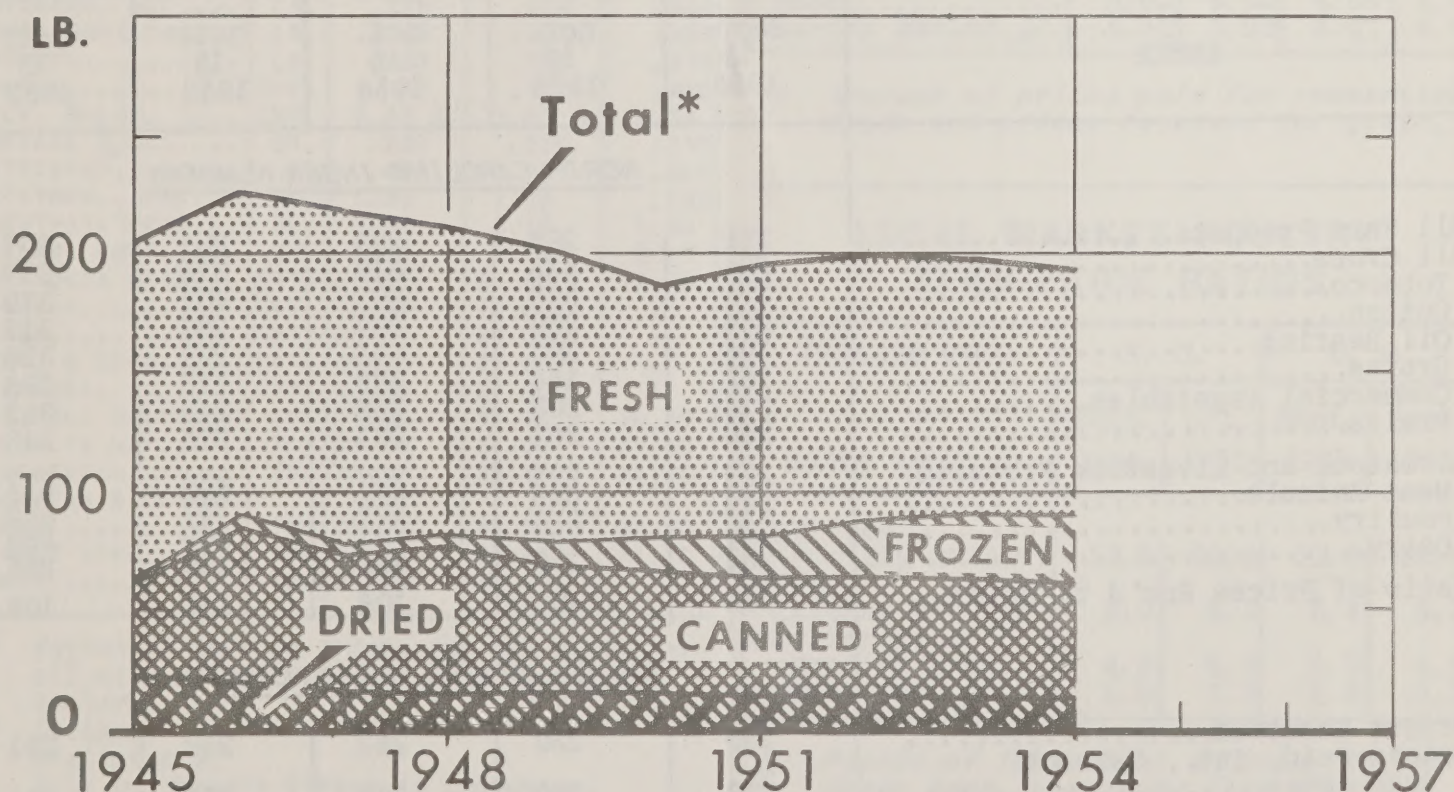
Lower prices received for meat animals
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U. S. FRUIT CONSUMPTION

During the past decade, per capita consumption of frozen fruits and fruit juices, fresh equivalent basis, increased more than 10 times. In contrast, consumption of fresh, dried, and canned fruits and fruit juices combined decreased. Per capita consumption of all fruits and fruit juices declined from a high of about 225 pounds in 1946 to 193 pounds in 1954. The 1954 total was made up about as follows: Fresh, 53 percent; canned, 24 percent; frozen, 16 percent; and dried, 7 percent.

Fresh and Processed

FRUIT CONSUMPTION PER PERSON



* CIVILIAN CONSUMPTION PER PERSON, FRESH EQUIVALENT BASIS

N. C. PRICES (Continued)

and poultry caused the livestock and livestock products index to decline 5 points during the month.

A decline of 24 points in the cotton index was due to lower prices received for cotton and cottonseed.

On 1953 incomes, Federal income taxes of the farm population amounted to about \$1,430 million, most of which was paid in the calendar year 1954. This amount represents roughly \$63 per capita of the farm population and about 6.9 percent of farmers' net income received in 1953 from all sources.

U. S. PRICES RECEIVED DOWN

Parity Index Up

The Index of Prices Received by Farmers declined 2 percent (5 points) during the month ending in mid-October. At 230 percent of its 1910-14 average the index was 5 percent less than a year earlier. Lower prices received by farmers for hogs, cotton, corn, apples, and cattle were primarily responsible for the decrease during the month. Higher prices for wholesale milk, tomatoes, tobacco, strawberries, and wheat were only partially offsetting. Both the All Crop Index and the Livestock and Livestock Product Index were down from a month earlier and from a year earlier, with the Crop Index showing the sharpest drop from last year.

Higher prices for consumer goods and a greater than usual increase in farm wage rates raised the Parity Index (Prices Paid, Interest, Taxes, and Wage Rates) to 280 in mid-October. Prices paid for farm production items averaged the same as a month earlier. The current Parity Index was 1 point (1/3 of 1 percent) higher than the revised index for September. It was also 1 point higher than a year ago.

With farm product prices down and the Parity Index up, the Parity Ratio dropped 2 percent from September 15 to October 15 to 82. This was 6 percent under October 1954 and the lowest ratio recorded since November 1940.

NORTH CAROLINA AND UNITED STATES INDEX NUMBERS

INDEX	Sept. 15 1955	Oct. 15 1955	Oct. 15 1954	Oct. 15 1953	Oct. 15 1952
<u>NORTH CAROLINA INDEX NUMBERS</u>					
All Farm Products.....	289	295	297	305	307
All Crops.....	304	313	316	316	317
Tobacco.....	375	398	392	401	379
Cotton.....	284	260	297	269	312
Oil Bearing.....	306	297	315	294	325
Grains.....	165	154	178	173	195
Commercial Vegetables.....	214	208	238	243	342
Fruits.....	350	365	261	275	243
Livestock and Livestock Products.....	237	232	227	264	271
Meat Animals.....	241	232	259	287	295
Poultry.....	240	230	201	269	269
Dairy.....	231	239	239	239	256
Ratio of Prices Rec'd to Paid*...	104	105	106	111	108
<u>UNITED STATES INDEX NUMBERS</u>					
Prices Received.....	235	230	242	249	281
Prices Paid, Int., Taxes & Wage Rates.....	279	280	279	276	284
Parity Ratio.....	84	82	87	90	99

* Ratio of N. C. Prices received to U. S. Prices paid.

N. C. FEED PRICES

Prices paid by North Carolina farmers for most mixed dairy feeds were unchanged from the previous month.

All the high protein feeds, except cottonseed meal were costing farmers slightly more than a month earlier. Cottonseed meal at \$3.50 per hundred was 5 cents below the September 15 price.

All of the grain by-products except

bran remained on the same level as last month.

Scratch grain was costing the farmer 5 cents less than the previous month. The other poultry feeds were unchanged.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS

COMMODITY	UNIT	N. C.		U. S.
		SEPT. 15	OCT. 15	OCT. 15
		1955	1955	1955
DOLLARS				
TOBACCO.....	LB.	.517	.552	.650
CORN.....	BU.	1.49	1.31	1.14
WHEAT.....	BU.	1.94	1.95	1.94
OATS.....	BU.	.77	.79	.591
BARLEY.....	BU.	1.09	1.11	.909
RYE.....	BU.	2.09	2.04	.926
SORGHUM GRAINS...	CWT.	1.85	1.95	1.63
SOYBEANS.....	BU.	2.15	2.20	2.08
PEANUTS.....	LB.	.134	.130	.118
COTTON.....	LB.	.344	.315	.328
COTTONSEED.....	TON	42.00	38.00	43.50
WOOL.....	LB.	.48	.48	.395
HOGS.....	CWT.	16.40	15.60	14.50
BEEF CATTLE.....	CWT.	12.10	12.00	15.30
VEAL CALVES.....	CWT.	18.50	18.20	16.80
SHEEP.....	CWT.	4.70	4.70	5.40
LAMBS.....	CWT.	18.40	18.40	17.40
MILK COWS.....	HD.	98.00	95.00	146.00
CHICKENS, ALL.....	LB.	.235	.204	.204
COM'L BROILERS...	LB.	.240	.205	.223
TURKEYS.....	LB.	.320	.300	.315
EGGS.....	DOZ.	.517	.527	.429
MILK, WHL SE. <u>1/</u> ...	CWT.	5.45 <u>2/</u>	5.65 <u>3/</u>	4.34
RETAIL <u>4/</u>	QT.	.220	.220	.210
BUTTERFAT.....	LB.	.48	.48	.569
POTATOES.....	BU.	1.35	1.25	.723
SWEETPOTATOES....	BU.	2.50	2.10	1.44
APPLES, COM'L.....	BU.	2.45	2.75	2.25
LESPEDEZA SEED...	CWT.	21.60	20.60	13.90
KOREAN.....	CWT.	19.00	18.00	.
KOBE.....	CWT.	25.00	24.00	.
COM. & TENN.....	CWT.	26.00	25.00	.
SERICEA.....	CWT.	27.00	27.00	.
HAY, ALL BALE <u>5/</u> ...	TON	21.40	31.10	20.50
ALFALFA HAY.....	TON	39.50	37.00	21.80
LESPEDEZA HAY...	TON	33.50	32.50	22.90
SOYBEAN & COWPEA				
HAY.....	TON	30.00	30.00	27.40
PEANUT VINE.....	TON	23.00	22.90	21.10
OTHER.....	TON	29.00	30.00	

1/ Estimated average prices for the month for all milk sold at wholesale to plants and dealers.

2/ Revised.

3/ Preliminary.

4/ Sold by farmers direct to consumers.

5/ The all hay price is the weighted average of separate kinds including an allowance for minor kinds.

FEED PRICES PAID BY FARMERS

FEED PER HUNDREDWEIGHT	N. C.		U. S.	
	Sept.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.
	15 1955	15 1955	15 1955	15 1955
<i>DOLLARS</i>				
Mixed Dairy Feed Under 29% Protein				
All.....	3.80	3.80	3.64	3.65
16% Protein.....	3.65	3.65	3.58	3.58
18% Protein.....	3.75	3.75	3.62	3.63
20% Protein.....	4.00	3.95	3.82	3.84
24% Protein.....	4.10	4.15	4.04	4.05
29% & Over.....	4.55	4.55	4.36	4.40
High Protein Feeds				
Linseed Meal.....	-	-	4.36	4.47
Soybean Meal.....	4.25	4.45	4.16	4.32
Cottonseed Meal..	3.55	3.50	3.81	3.81
Meat Scrap.....	4.70	4.75	4.90	4.98
Grain By-products				
Bran.....	3.40	3.35	2.90	2.87
Middlings.....	3.65	3.65	3.07	3.04
Corn Meal.....	4.50	4.50	3.49	3.41
Corn Gluten.....	-	-	3.24	3.24
Poultry Feed.....				
Laying Mash.....	4.85	4.85	4.45	4.47
Scratch Grain....	4.30	4.25	4.04	4.01
Broiler Growing				
Mash.....	5.00	5.00	4.85	4.88
Poultry Ration <u>1/</u> ..	4.02	3.92	3.47	3.44

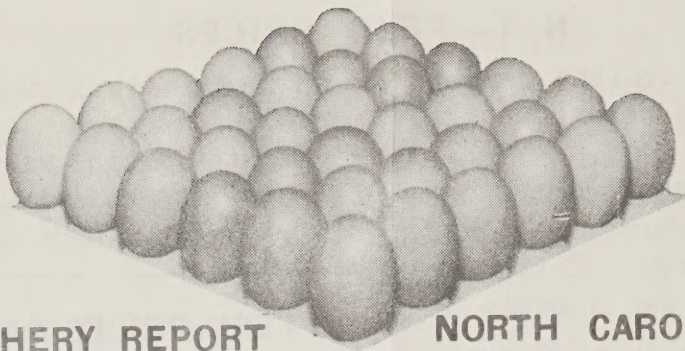
1/ Average of prices paid for commercial feeds and prices received for grain.

LOCAL MARKET POULTRY FEED-PRICE RATIOS

POULTRY FEED PRICE RATIO <u>1/</u>	N. C.		U. S.	
	Sept.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.
	1955	1955	1955	1955
Egg-Feed (Poultry Ration)	12.9	13.4	12.6	12.5
Farm Chicken Feed <u>2/</u>	5.0	5.1	5.4	5.3
Broiler-Feed (Broiler Mash)	4.8	4.1	5.3	4.6
Turkey Feed <u>2/</u>	8.0	7.7	8.9	9.2

1/ Pounds of feed equal in value to one dozen eggs, one pound farm chickens, one pound broilers and one pound turkeys.

2/ Poultry ration.



SEPTEMBER HATCHERY REPORT

The September chick production in North Carolina's commercial hatcheries is placed at 6,477,000 chicks -- a new record for the month. The September output represents an increase of 10 per cent over the 5,874,000 chicks produced for the same month a year earlier and is about twice as large as the 1949-53 average production. Chick production during the first 9 months of 1955 has totaled 72,004,000 -- about 16 percent above the total of 62,145,000 produced during the corresponding period last year.

The number of chicks produced by commercial hatcheries in the United States during September was also the largest of record for the month. There were 98,081,000 chicks produced this year compared to 97,530,000 for last year and the 1949-53 average production of 74,285,000. Hatcheries reported that during the month 58,481,000 chicks were produced for broilers and 12,600,000 were produced for other purposes. The demand for chicks is relatively strong and a large October production is in prospect as the number of eggs in incubators on October 1 was 16 percent larger than a year earlier.

POULT OPERATIONS

The number of heavy breed poults hatched in the United States during September totaled 116,000 compared with 25,000 in September last year. Hatchings of heavy breeds are now at the low point of the year. The number of heavy breed eggs in incubators on October 1 totaled 246,000 compared with 108,000 on October 1 last year.

Light breed poults hatched during September totaled 441,000 compared with 690,000 in September last year. A smaller October hatch of light breed poults than a year ago is in prospect as the number of eggs in incubators on October 1 was 58 percent less than a year ago.

NORTH CAROLINA: CASH RECEIPTS BY COMMODITIES 1953-1954

COMMODITIES	1953	1954
	REVISED	PRELIM.
<i>1,000 DOLLARS</i>		
LIVESTOCK AND PRODUCTS..	219,642	221,974
DAIRY PRODUCTS.....	56,359	55,528
HOGS.....	47,644	52,270
EGGS.....	44,721	41,287
BROILERS.....	38,698	37,903
CATTLE AND CALVES.....	18,359	20,850
TURKEYS.....	5,475	6,657
CHICKENS.....	5,873	4,545
OTHER POULTRY.....	461	518
OTHER <u>1/</u>	2,052	2,416
CROPS.....	685,564	705,849
FIELD CROPS:		
TOBACCO.....	457,033	497,287
COTTON LINT.....	83,698	68,602
PEANUTS.....	35,956	32,235
SOYBEANS.....	9,506	11,375
CORN.....	11,435	10,150
WHEAT.....	10,864	9,221
COTTONSEED.....	8,631	8,218
POTATOES.....	3,879	6,116
OATS.....	3,457	4,517
SWEET POTATOES.....	5,158	3,919
SNAP BEANS.....	3,752	2,777
LESPEDEZA SEED.....	3,799	2,772
HAY.....	2,957	2,643
CUCUMBERS.....	2,665	2,546
GREEN PEPPERS.....	1,476	1,469
SORGHUM GRAIN.....	835	1,360
SWEET CORN.....	1,292	1,163
WATERMELONS.....	922	899
TOMATOES.....	979	645
BARLEY.....	486	541
LETTUCE.....	504	444
OTHER <u>2/</u>	6,917	6,467
FRUITS AND NUTS:		
APPLES.....	2,035	3,484
PEACHES.....	1,923	2,633
STRAWBERRIES.....	1,178	1,061
OTHER <u>3/</u>	1,013	521
OTHER PRODUCTS:		
FOREST.....	15,659	15,252
GREENHOUSE AND NURSERY	7,555	7,532
ALL COMMODITIES.....	905,206	927,823

- 1/ Sheep and lambs, wool, honey, beeswax, horses, mules, etc.
- 2/ Rye, asparagus, green lima beans, beets, broccoli, cantaloups, carrots, cauliflower, celery, eggplant, escarole, kale, onions, green peas, pimientos, spinach, sorgo sirup, cowpeas, cabbage, miscellaneous vegetables.
- 3/ Grapes, pears, pecans, blackberries, dewberries, raspberries, blueberries, black walnuts.

SEPTEMBER SLAUGHTER DOWN FROM LAST YEAR

Livestock slaughtered commercially in North Carolina during September amounted to 24,603,000 pounds, liveweight. This was the second highest kill for the month on record, being exceeded only by the 26,542,000 pounds liveweight slaughtered in September of 1954, which was almost four percent higher. Cattle slaughtered totaled 12,351,000 pounds, and hogs reached 12,013,000 pounds -- down 3.8 and 4.2 percent, respectively, from comparable slaughter a year earlier. Calf slaughter at 1,230,000 pounds was up 8.1 percent from the 1,138,000 pounds reported for September of 1954. Sheep and lambs slaughtered amounted to only 9,000 pounds, off considerably from the 17,000 pounds for September of last year. Total September slaughter of all species was up about one percent from the 25,314,000 reported for the previous month.

UNITED STATES

Production of red meat in commercial livestock slaughter plants during September totaled 2,230 million pounds. The September output was 3 percent more than the 2,160 million pounds produced in Aug-

ust and 8 percent more than the 2,071 million pounds produced in September 1954.

September cattle slaughter totaled 2,372,600 head. This was 2 percent fewer than the 2,420,000 slaughtered in August but 5 percent more than the 2,270,000 head slaughtered in September last year.

Veal production in September was estimated at 147 million pounds, 3 percent above the previous month, but down 5 percent from September a year ago.

The commercial hog kill for September was estimated at 6,157,000 head. This exceeded the August kill of 5,425,600 by 13 percent and the September 1954 kill of 5,768,900 head by 7 percent. Pork output during September totaled 808 million pounds -- 11 percent more than the previous month, and 7 percent more than September last year.

The number of sheep and lambs slaughtered during September was 1,520,800 head. This was up 8 percent from the 1,411,200 slaughtered in August and up 4 percent from the 1,465,800 head slaughtered in September a year ago.

NORTH CAROLINA AND UNITED STATES LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER *

Species	SEPTEMBER				JANUARY - SEPTEMBER			
	Number Slaughtered		Total Liveweight		Number Slaughtered		Total Liveweight	
	1954	1944	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
	<i>Thous. Head</i>		<i>Thous. Lbs.</i>		<i>Thous. Head</i>		<i>Thous. Lbs.</i>	
N. C.								
Cattle	17.0	16.0	12,843	12,351	110.3	120.9	84,969	92,618
Calves	6.1	6.3	1,138	1,230	49.3	48.8	8,742	8,964
Sheep & Lambs	.2	.1	17	9	1.0	1.0	91	84
Hogs	58.0	59.0	12,544	12,013	487.0	518.0	104,618	112,117
TOTAL	81.3	81.4	26,542	25,603	647.6	688.7	198,420	213,783
U. S.	<i>Million Head</i>		<i>Million Lbs.</i>		<i>Million Head</i>		<i>Million Lbs.</i>	
Cattle	2.3	2.4	2,045	2,219	18.5	19.1	17,152	17,892
Calves	1.2	1.2	281	265	9.3	9.1	2,060	1,990
Sheep & Lambs	1.5	1.5	134	140	11.8	12.2	1,128	1,175
Hogs	5.8	6.2	1,308	1,400	44.2	50.5	10,687	12,098
TOTAL	10.8	11.3	3,768	4,024	83.8	90.9	31,027	33,155

* Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other wholesale and retail slaughter; excludes farm slaughter.

U. S. MILK PRODUCTION AT RECORD LEVEL

Production of milk on farms during September totaled 9,618 million pounds, 3 percent above September a year ago and 2 percent above the previous September high. Production during September was at the rate of 1.93 pounds of milk per capita per day, slightly above September a year ago, but 6 percent below average. Output of milk in the first 9 months of 1955 of 97.4 billion pounds was a record high for the period, slightly above the 97.2 billion pounds in January-September 1954.

Milk production per cow in crop reporters' herds on October 1 averaged 16.61 pounds -- 5 percent above the previous high for the date set last year, and 12 percent above average. The heavy milk flow per cow was encouraged by a record high rate of grain and concentrate feeding. Seasonally, production per cow declined only 3 percent from September 1 to October 1 as compared to an average decline of 7 percent. Output per cow was at record-high level for October 1 in all regions. Compared with a year earlier, production per cow on October 1 ranged from 3 percent above in the South Atlantic and Western regions to 8 percent above in the North Atlantic and South Central areas. Output per cow was also sharply above average in all regions with increases ranging from 10 to 13 percent. The proportion of milk cows in crop reporters' herds in production on October 1 averaged 69.2 percent, slightly above a year earlier, but about average for the date.

Among the 33 States with monthly milk production estimates available, September output was a record high for the month in 9 States and near record level in 8 other States. On the other hand, production was as low or nearly as low as for any September in about a quarter century of records in most Great Plains States, Wisconsin, as usual, led all States, producing 1,140 million pounds in September, followed by California with 584 million, Pennsylvania, 514 million, and Minnesota, 509 million -- all record highs for the month, except Minnesota.

Farmers were feeding grain and concentrates to their milking herds at a record high October 1 rate per cow this year as poor pastures and improved dairy product-feed price relationships encouraged liberal feeding.

Crop reporters fed an average of 4.82 pounds of grain and concentrates per milk cow on October 1. This was 7 percent above last year's October 1 rate of 4.49 pounds and 22 percent above the 1944-53 average for the date. Seasonally, the quantity of grain and concentrates fed to milk cows showed considerably more than the average gain from August 1 to October 1.

COTTON GINNED PRIOR TO OCTOBER 1 IN NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY	NO. RUNNING BALES*	
	1955	1954
STATE TOTAL	101, 248	179, 955
Anson	6, 534	6, 504
Bertie	234	1, 901
Bladen	303	1, 024
Cabarrus	1, 119	1, 404
Catawba	457	724
Chowan	129	828
Cleveland	16, 756	15, 478
Cumberland	3, 057	5, 553
Duplin	459	1, 696
Edgecombe	261	2, 144
Franklin	177	839
Gaston	477	428
Gates	116	247
Halifax	1, 559	5, 263
Harnett	4, 495	11, 671
Hertford	342	1, 257
Hoke	2, 790	4, 636
Iredell	1, 734	1, 928
Johnston	2, 101	10, 403
Lee	281	1, 085
Lenoir	320	566
Lincoln	3, 447	3, 507
Mecklenburg	2, 768	3, 210
Nash	580	3, 587
Northampton	3, 731	8, 181
Pitt	315	2, 403
Polk	1, 013	1, 002
Richmond	1, 161	1, 947
Robeson	13, 849	24, 434
Rowan	832	1, 090
Rutherford	2, 751	3, 007
Sampson	5, 748	11, 001
Scotland	7, 323	11, 299
Stanly	1, 380	1, 189
Union	7, 537	7, 969
Wake	113	959
Wayne	1, 676	6, 246
Wilson	641	4, 788
All Other	2, 682	8, 557

* Linters are not included.

GRAIN STOCKS

Total stocks of old corn in all positions in North Carolina on October 1, 1955 are estimated at 2,473,000 bushels compared with 3,687,000 bushels a year ago. Of the total corn stocks, 2,380,000 bushels were on farms and the remaining 93,000 bushels were in off-farm storage. Rye stocks at 204,000 bushels in all positions in the State were about 22 percent above a year ago. Soybean stocks in all positions amounted to 17,000 bushels. Wheat stocks at 5,687,000 bushels, both on farm and off-farm, were about 1 percent lower than a year ago. Oats and barley were also below October 1, 1954 stocks.

UNITED STATES

Stocks of 1,740 million bushels of wheat stored in all positions on October 1 were the largest for the date in the comparable series beginning in 1935. The total is nearly 4 percent larger than a year earlier, the previous record holdings, and 42 percent larger

than average. Rye stocks of 37.8 million bushels on October 1 were the second largest of record and 16 percent larger than stocks a year earlier. The carryover of old corn in all positions on October 1 is estimated at a record high of 1,024 million bushels. This exceeds by one-ninth the 920 million bushels carryover a year ago and is far above the 769 million bushels on October 1, 1953. Oats stocks of 1,431 million bushels on October 1 this year were the largest ever held. These large holdings were mainly due to the record 1955 production which was generously supplemented by the largest carryover of old crop oats in history. Barley stocks on October 1 are estimated at 397 million bushels, the largest in the 13 years record. Stocks of old soybeans in all storage positions on October 1, 1955, amounted to 10 million bushels. Stocks of old crop sorghum grains in all positions, estimated at 74 million bushels, were the largest of record.

N. C. AND U. S. GRAIN STOCKS OCTOBER 1, 1955 WITH COMPARISONS

CROP	Off-Farm Stocks <u>1/</u>			On-Farm Stocks			Total Stocks <u>2/</u>		
	Oct. 1 1954	July 1 1955	Oct. 1 1955	Oct. 1 1954	July 1 1955	Oct. 1 1955	Oct. 1 1954	July 1 1955	Oct. 1 1955
<u>N. C.</u>	<i>Thousand Bushels</i>								
Wheat	2, 189	278	2, 474	3, 569	260	3, 204	5, 758	538	5, 678
Rye	19	1	19	148	11	185	167	12	204
Corn <u>3/</u>	110	1, 319	93	3, 577	9, 520	2, 380	3, 687	10, 839	2, 473
Oats	716	132	773	11, 422	1, 428	10, 718	12, 138	1, 560	11, 491
Barley	167	9	118	1, 124	155	860	1, 291	164	978
Soybeans <u>3/</u>	2	38	3	4	47	14	6	85	17
Sorghum <u>3/</u>	*	42	1	-	<u>4/</u>	-	*	<u>4/</u>	68
<u>U. S.</u>	<i>Million Bushels</i>								
Wheat	1, 247.3	981.8	1, 324.8	429.5	38.2	415.0	1, 676.8	1, 020.0	1, 739.8
Rye	18.0	12.4	18.6	14.6	3.7	19.2	32.6	16.1	37.8
Corn <u>3/</u>	560.3	638.8	717.2	359.3	938.0	306.9	919.6	1, 576.8	1, 024.1
Oats	114.3	65.3	138.5	1, 182.3	249.5	1, 292.0	1, 296.6	314.8	1, 430.5
Barley	129.1	85.6	143.2	226.7	44.0	253.5	355.8	129.6	396.7
Soybeans <u>3/</u>	807	33, 711	6, 038	529	33, 130	3, 969	1, 336	66, 841	10, 007
Sorghum <u>3/</u>	18.8	93.0	68.7	3.2	<u>4/</u>	5.4	22.0	<u>4/</u>	74.1

1/ Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators, and Warehouses; commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, of AMS at terminals and grain owned by CCC which is in transit to ports, etc.

2/ May vary slightly due to rounding.

3/ October - Old Crop.

4/ Not available.

* Unallocated.

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COMPARISON OF PRICES RECEIVED BY U. S. FARMERS AND PARITY PRICES

COMMODITY	PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS		PARITY OR COMPARABLE PRICES ^{1/}		AVERAGE PRICES AS PERCENTAGE OF PARITY	
	Sept. 15 1955	October 15 1955	Sept. 15 1955	October 15 1955	Sept. 15 1955	October 15 1955
	<u>DOLLARS</u>	<u>DOLLARS</u>	<u>DOLLARS</u>	<u>DOLLARS</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
Cotton, Lb.....	.3377	.3283	.3497	.3497	97	94
Wheat, Bu.....	1.92	1.94	2.49	2.49	77	78
Corn, Bu.....	1.24	1.14	1.81	1.81	69	63
Oats, Bu.....	.563	.591	.848	.854	66	69
Barley, Bu.....	.899	.909	1.32	1.33	68	68
Rye, Bu.....	.872	.926	1.65	1.66	53	56
Beef Cattle, Cwt....	15.60	15.30	21.00	21.10	74	73
Hogs, Cwt.....	15.70	14.50	21.00	21.10	75	69
Lambs, Cwt.....	17.70	17.40	23.00	23.20	77	75
Chickens, All, Lb...	.226	.204	.286	.288	79	71
Eggs, Doz.....	.438	.429	.456	.459	87 ^{5/}	82 ^{5/}
Milk, Whlse. Cwt. ^{2/}	4.17 ^{3/}	4.34 ^{4/}	4.61	4.65	88 ^{5/}	88 ^{5/}

- ^{1/} Effective parity prices as computed currently in months indicated using base period prices and indexes then in effect.
^{2/} Estimated average price for the month for all milk sold at wholesale to plants and dealers.
^{3/} Revised.
^{4/} Preliminary.
^{5/} Percentage of seasonally adjusted prices to parity prices.